# THE REGION V OF THE ALASKA SCHOOLS ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION SPRING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING APRIL 23, 2020 - TELECONFERENCE

#### Call to Order at 10:09am

#### Roll Call

Angoon, Ron Gleason- YES

Metlakatla, Adam Krick- YES

Craig, Troy Thain - YES

Mt. Edgecumbe, Andrew Friske- LATE/YES

Gustavus, Rachel Parks - NO

Petersburg, Jaime Cabral - YES

(Thorne Bay) SISD, Janelle Wehrman - LATE/YES

JDHS, Chad Bentz - YES

Thunder Mountain, Luke Adams - YES

Kake, Art Johnson - YES

Wrangell, Trisa Rooney - YES

Haines, Lyndzee Swinton - YES

Sitka, Rich Krupa - YES

Hoonah, Adam Gretsinger - YES

Skagway, Cindy O'Daniel- YES

Hydaburg, Laura Peele - NO

Ketchikan, Melissa Johnson- YES

Yakutat, Carol Pate - YES

Klawock, Teresa Fairbanks- YES

ASAA- Sandi Wagner & Billy Strickland- YES

Secretary Treasurer - Karen Morrison - YES

Motion made to approve the agenda by Troy, 2nd by Chad.

Motion Passed

10:15am ASAA Report presented by Troy Thain and Billy Strickland

Old Business Discussion Items

- Baseball Classification will continue to develop and be discussed at the state level
- Basketball changes include 4A classification based on certain "boroughs" (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Wasilla & Soldotna) and includes boarding schools. Potential impact for MEHS having to move to 4A classification. Billy does not believe that they will be required to move up based on the current alternate criteria in ASAA 8a.3.3.

## 10:47am ASAA April Consent Agenda Discussion Old Business

- 9 man football teams allowable
- Baseball DI State berths- SE currently has 2. The one at large will be determined by a committee of ASAA representatives from Region 4,5, & 6 as well as 2 ASAA staff.
- Mix 6- Supplemental Rule 3.A.1 passed (Region V voted against this change)- new rule is "up to 2 femails are allowed to replace male players on the court"
- Unified Sports- looking at doing away with the waivers
- Out of Season Contact Policy- allows for fall/spring leagues; limited to 6 hours per week
  - Chad and Melissa do not agree with the game time of 1 hour and believe it should be increased to 2 hours. Billy suggested that Troy could make an amendment to increase game time to 2 hours due to inequity of districts across the state.
- Certifying fields and equipment- Sandy and Billy strongly recommend making sure that fields and wrestling mats are tested and maintaining proper documentation to avoid potential liabilities. This is the result of an increase in lawsuits.
- Purple Star Schools is a military recognition program for military families that participate in activities and school districts should have a process in place for working with their local military programs.
- Cold weather policy- ASAA needs to develop a policy but a district's policy would supersede ASAA's.
- Swimsuit determination- new wording to include the following:
  - **ART. 2...** Suits shall be of one piece. Suits worn for competition must be non-transparent. Males shall not extend above the waist or below the top of the kneecap. Females suits shall not extend beyond the shoulders or below the top of the kneecap, nor cover the neck. Violations: When an official discovers a competitor wearing illegal attire as described in Article 2, the official shall:
  - 1. when observed prior to the start of the heat/dive, notify the coach of the competitor to make the suit legal before becoming eligible to compete. If the competitor cannot comply without delaying the start of the heat/dive, the competitor is disqualified from that event/dive and shall not be eligible for further competition until in a legal suit."

#### **New Business**

- Endowment Game Policy- change from a fundraiser for Alaska Endowment for Youth Activities to Alaska School Activities Association.
- COVID-19 Related Issues- Handle the semester credit minimum criteria rule waivers as needed and based on each district.

Discussion Item for ASAA- Jaime asked for input and feedback on the 7th grade eligibility rules since 1A schools are seeing declining enrollments. Cindy would like to see a proposal. Arthur, Janelle and Carol stated it would be hard to get their school boards support because of the age and maturity gap between 7th and 12th graders. Carol is not in favor of 7th graders playing in high school activities. Teresa will pull a proposal together to bring back to the Region V board and see if they decide to go to ASAA with the proposed change.

Meeting Break: 11:58am

Back: 12:21pm

#### 12:22pm

Motion made by Chad to approve the February 9th &10th Meeting Minutes. 2nd by Troy.

Motion passed.

#### Treasurer Report:

Karen discussed the current profit and loss and the chart of accounts structure. Region V has is currently reporting several years of Region V events in FY20 and should have more timely reporting in FY21. Still pending is the donation from Holland America for the awards program-Region V may not see these donations due to COVID-19. Jaime and Karen are still working towards non-profit status with the IRS and proper non-profit status for the State of Alaska. Current bank account balance is \$133.346.53.

#### 12:44pm Committee Reports:

- Bylaws- kept the current Region V Annual Dues as written in the Bylaws.
- Policy/Procedures- will vote at the end of the meeting on these proposed changes:
  - Article 1, Section 3- add the word "cumulative" to GPA
  - Article VIII- Update Region V classifications for stipends
  - Article XIX- Revise Track and Field rotation
- Executive Committee- no report
- Housing and Transportation- discussion on what housing and transportation will look like in the fall with COVID. Tabled until May when hopefully more information is available. Suggested on larger events with lots of students that a "Housing Director" stipend be considered.
- Scheduling- See further in the meeting
- Tournaments- Feedback was provided on the recognition of students during basketball tournament; some found the timing more favorable with being able to take photos and recognize the students. If the Region decides to change the structure, it needs to be updated in the Tournament Handbook.
- Officials- Discussion on changing the criteria for choosing officials. Jaime will provide language for the proposed change for the May meeting,

#### 1:27pm Scheduling

A motion was made by Melissa to approve the following Region V Event Locations and Clinics. 2nd by Troy.

ACTIVITY			NEW 20 / 21
Art Festival			Juneau

Baseball - Div I	Ketchikan
Basketbll 1A	Mt Edgcumbe
Bsketball 2A / 3A / 4A	Ketchikan
Cross Country	Ketchikan
Honor Festival	Wrangell
Music Festival	Sitka
Softball	Juneau
Swimming	Ketchikan
Volleyball Mix Six	Gustavus
Volleyball 2A	Haines
Volleyball 3A	Sitka
Volleyball 4A	Ketchikan
Wrestling DI/DII/Girls	Sitka
Track & Field	Juneau
REGION V CLINICS	
Basketball	Sitka
Cheerleading	Petersburg
DDF	Debate
Football	*****
Volleyball	*****
Wrestling	*****

### Roll Call: MOTION PASSED

Angoon, Ron Gleason- ABSENT	(Thorne Bay) SISD, Janelle Wehrman - YES
Metlakatla, Adam Krick- ABSENT	JDHS, Chad Bentz - YES
Craig, Troy Thain - YES	Thunder Mountain, Luke Adams - YES
Mt. Edgecumbe, Andrew Friske- YES	Kake, Art Johnson - YES
Gustavus, Rachel Parks - ABSENT	Wrangell, Trisa Rooney - YES
Petersburg, Jaime Cabral - YES	Ketchikan, Melissa Johnson- YES
Haines, Lyndzee Swinton - YES	Yakutat, Carol Pate - YES

Sitka, Rich Krupa - YES	Klawock, Teresa Fairbanks- YES
Hoonah, Adam Gretsinger - YES	
Skagway, Cindy O'Daniel- YES	
Hydaburg, Laura Peele - ABSENT	

#### **5 MINUTE BREAK**

#### 1:50PM Spring Activities

- Artfest- Discussion about scheduling this event in February or March, maybe to coincide with Elizabeth Petrovich Day? Discussion tabled until the May meeting.
- Baseball/softball- Melissa wants to see softball rotations. ADs will ask their admin and coaches for feedback about updating rotations.
- Music- Cindy had nothing to report. Jaime said that band directors want Sitka to stay in rotation.
- Student Government- Lynzee said that they are meeting virtually. MEHS would like to still host in 20/21.
- Soccer- Chad had nothing to report.
- Track & Field- Luke had nothing to report.

#### 2:12pm Fall Activities

- Cross Country- need to work on schedule
- Football- Luke said all is good
- Swim and Dive- Rich said all good
- Student Government- need to work on schedule
- VB- Teresa said Klawock will stay 2A. Adam will host the seeding tournament. Melissa and Chad are interested in JDHS, TMHS and Ketchikan moving to 3A classification so that they can play with MEHS and Sitka. Troy said he will bring it to ASAA if someone writes the proposal.
- Wrestling- Troy has nothing to report.
- DDF- Luke has nothing to report.

#### 2:33pm Winter Activities

- 1A, 2A, 3A Basketball- nothing to report; just need to work on schedules.
- 4A Basketball- Melissa would like to see the cross over games modified and not have participants that are going to the state tournament play.

2:56pm- Karen stepped out of the meeting for another conference call; Jaime took over notes:

- Cheerleading/Dance
- Dance Team-

#### Jaime's notes:

#### Sportsmanship -

Continue to be a great sportsman. Other ways to recognize Good Sport Award winners? Stickers are going well and are being received great.

#### Strategic Planning-

Jaime shared a strategic planning brochure for the Region. We are continuing our 4 bullet points of the strategic plan for the Region. Andrew stated that it was great that we continue to touch base about our strategic plan at every meeting to make it a reminder for all Board Members. We spent a lot of time working on the plan and we are meeting the plan!

#### Trophies and Awards-

Continue to work on an RFP and committee created. Jaime would like a committee to be created in order to help decide the award RFP. Andrew, Carol, Jaime, Karen, and Luke on the Awards committee to look at and decide on RFP's. Look into another sponsor if Holland America pulls out. Sealaska is interested in getting involved with Region V. Chad will make contact with Sealaska to see if they would like to be a part of the Awards.

#### Website-

Discussion about the website and needs. No one addressed any specific needs to the website. Sandi has added the Hall of Fame section for Region V. We are using the website to place important information on the main page related towards COVID. Currently working on maintaining and updating the Records section of each sport. This is a work in progress. Please keep Sandi and Jaime updated with changes to your specific school page.

#### Committee Chairs-

Updates to the committee chairs - Lee Thompson was removed from Music as a committee chair. No new person wanted to take that individual committee. Will be decided at May get together.

#### Hall of Fame Representative-

Applications due December 1, 2020. The earlier the better. Region V needs more representation to keep bringing in those applications.

#### Gold Lifetime Pass Recipient-

Two nomications from Region V were made.

Dale Bontraeger - Dale is a Teacher/Coach/Volunteer at JDHS. He has over 30+ years experience and service to Students Juneau and Southeast Alaska.

Billy Steinbaugh - Billy has over 25 years of service to students in Sitka and Southeast Alaska. He started the Sitka Baseball program and after 10 years turned his time to becoming a top notch Basketball Official, Baseball and Softball Umpire.

Decision was to nominate Dale for the Gold Lifetime Pass. Chad Bentz will complete the application for Dale and turn into ASAA.

#### Fall Board of Directors Meeting-

Fall Directors meeting is planned to be in Ketchikan on Saturday October 3 and Sunday October 4, 2020. Meetings will begin after the Awards Ceremony for the Regions XC Meet.

3:52pm - Karen back into meeting Scheduling Continued:

ASAA plans to rollover the 2020 locations for tournaments to the 20/21 school year.

Completed schedules for 20/21 Region V Season are at this link: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DTSj75HXxE8SRPz2x7i3d3OgUXa29l60/edit#gid=98">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DTSj75HXxE8SRPz2x7i3d3OgUXa29l60/edit#gid=98</a> 6585544

Teresa made a motion to approve the Region V schedule dates for Cross Country, Swim & Dive, Volleyball, Wrestling. The motion was 2nd by Carol.

Motion Passed.

4:32pm Troy made a motion to approve the Region V schedules for DDF, Academic Decathlon and Music; Art Fest is still to be determined. Motion was 2nd by Melissa.

Motion Passed.

4:36pm Policy Language

Cindy made a motion to approve the new policy language in Article 1 Section 3 adding the word cumulative, Article 8 Section 2: adjusting the following titles under director fee: Cheer/Dance 234A, Volleyball split to 3A & 4A, Wrestling DI, DII, and Girls Article 19 Section 5 Track and field updated to Juneau Host 2021 and Kayhi host 2022; Motion 2nd by Melissa.

Motion passed.

4:38pm Melissa made a motion to keep officials pay the same in the 20/21 season; motion 2nd by Andrew.

Motion Passed.

4:42pm Melissa made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Janelle. Motion Passed.